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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Debregeas et al.

Title: GRANULES CONTAINING A PLANT SUBSTANCE AND PROCESS FOR PREPARING THEM

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Response in the above-identified patent application.

- Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a previous assertion of Small Entity status.
- Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 (12 pages).
- The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

	Claims		Extra			Rate	Additional	Claims Fee
	As	Previously	Claims	Present				
	Amended	Paid For			x			
Total Claims:	9	-	22	=	0	x \$50.00	=	\$0.00
Independent Claims:	1	-	3	=	0	x \$200.00	=	\$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:				+ \$360.00			=	\$0.00
						CLAIMS FEE TOTAL	=	\$0.00

[] The Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R.
§ 1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[] Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$450.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,020.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,590.00	\$0.00
[] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,160.00	\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:	\$0.00
[] Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d):	\$130.00	\$0.00
	CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FEE TOTAL:	\$0.00
[X] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
	TOTAL FEE:	\$0.00

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If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, the Applicants hereby petition for such extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and authorize payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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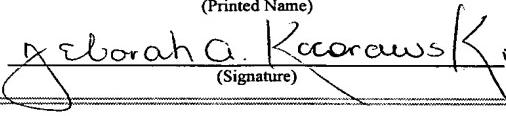
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated February 9, 2006, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: